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REMARKS

This Response is in reply to the Office Action mailed on November 9, 2005. Claims 1-6 are amended herein and remain pending. Claims 7-12 are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer as to their future prosecution.

The Office Action requested election between claims 1-6 and claims 7-12. Applicants observe that, because of the cancellation of claims 7-12, the restriction requirement is now moot. Applicants reserve the right to pursue claims 7-12 in a subsequent application.

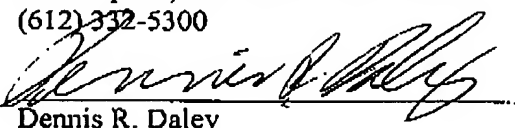
Claims 1-6 are amended editorially herein. These amendments are simply for clarification and are not intended to alter the scope of the claims in any way.

Examination on the merits is requested. Applicants believe that the application is in condition for allowance. Therefore, favorable consideration in the form of a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. Please contact the undersigned attorney with any questions regarding this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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